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ALLON MEETING WITH SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO U.S. SEEM LIKELY  
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(BY HA'AREZ POLITICAL REPORTER MATI GOLAN)

(EXCERPT) FOREIGN MINISTER YISAL ALLON IS LIKELY TO MEET  
WITH THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON, ANATOLIY DOBRYNIN,  
WHEN HE ARRIVES IN THE UNITED STATES AT THE END OF THIS WEEK.  
THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A MEETING WAS DISCUSSED IN JERUSALEM  
AND IN CONTACTS BETWEEN JERUSALEM AND THE ISRAELI EMBASSY IN  
WASHINGTON. IF THIS MEETING IS HELD IT WILL BE A CONTINUATION  
OF THE POLITICAL CONTACTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN ANTICIPATION  
OF THE POSSIBILITY OF RECONVENING THE GENEVA CONFERENCE.

THESE CONTACTS BEGAN ABOUT 2 WEEKS AGO IN SECRET MEETINGS HELD  
WITH TWO SOVIET EMISSARIES, WHO HAD ARRIVED IN ISRAEL  
ESPECIALLY FOR THIS PURPOSE, AS HA'AREZ REPORTED THE DAY BEFORE  
YESTERDAY. THE EMISSARIES MET WITH PRIME MINISTER YIZHAQ RABIN,  
DEFENSE MINISTER SHIM'ON PERES, AND MINISTER ALLON.

IN THE TALKS WITH THE SOVIET EMISSARIES IT WAS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE  
TO CONTINUE THE POLITICAL CONTACTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES,  
IN THE SECRET MEETINGS IN ISRAEL THE TWO SIDES CONCENTRATED ON THE  
EXAMINATION OF POSITIONS WITHOUT REACHING ANY AGREEMENTS.

THE ISRAELI MINISTERS GOT THE IMPRESSION FROM THE EMISSARIES'  
STATEMENTS THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS VERY INTERESTED IN THE  
RECONVENING AND SUCCESS OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, AND THAT MOSCOW  
WILL BE READY TO MODERATE ITS POSITIONS TO A CERTAIN DEGREE  
TO INSURE THIS. THREE ELEMENTS IN THIS RESPECT HAVE BECOME OBVIOUS:

1. IT WAS POSSIBLE TO GET THE IMPRESSION FROM THE EMISSARIES'  
STATEMENTS THAT THE KREMLIN WILL NOT INSIST ON TOTAL  
ISRAEL WITHDRAWAL TO THE 4 JUNE 1967 BORDERS. NEVERTHELESS, IT IS  
CLEAR THAT MOSCOW WILL INSIST ON ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM  
PRACTICALLY ALL OF THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN THE 6-DAY WAR,  
BUT MAY AGREE TO INSIGNIFICANT BORDER ADJUSTMENTS.

2. WITH REGARD TO ISRAEL'S FEARS, IT SEEMS THE SOVIET UNION  
WILL BE PREPARED TO ABANDON ITS POLICY REGARDING INTERNATIONAL  
GUARANTEES AND MAKE INDEPENDENT SOVIET GUARANTEES. WITHIN THIS  
FRAMEWORK, THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT THE SOVIET UNION WOULD AGREE  
TOGETHER WITH THE UNITED STATES, TO LIMIT THE AREA  
MADE IN THE REGION TO LIMITS AGREED UPON IN ADVANCE.

3. AS DEMANDS THE PARTICIPATION OF THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE  
CONFERENCE, IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE PARTICIPANTS WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE  
PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE AS AN INDEPENDENT BODY AND

WILL SUPPORT THE POSSIBILITY OF ITS INCLUSION IN ANOTHER FRAMEWORK.  
THE HA'AREZ REPORTER COMMENTS THAT THIS POSSIBILITY IS NOT NEW,  
AND WAS RECENTLY RAISED BY PRESIDENT AS-SADAT. THIS METHOD FOR  
PLO'S PARTICIPATION WOULD ALSO BE CONVENIENT TO YASIR 'ARAFAT, WHO  
FINDS IT DIFFICULT FOR THE PLO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
CONFERENCE AS AN INDEPENDENT BODY BECAUSE OF INTERNAL OPPOSITION  
IN THE TERRORIST ORGANIZATION WHICH HE HEADS.

THE QUESTION OF THE SOVIET EMISSARIES' SECRET MEETINGS IN ISRAEL  
WILL BE DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN  
MINISTER ALLON AND U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER. IN  
THIS RESPECT, IT HAS BEEN LEARNED THAT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE REPORT  
WAS PUBLISHED IN HA'AREZ, THE STATE DEPARTMENT DISPLAYED MUCH  
INTEREST IN IT AND REQUESTED FURTHER DETAILS BOTH FROM THE ISRAELI

EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON AND THE U.S. EMBASSY IN ISRAEL. IT IS  
ASSUMED IN JERUSALEM THAT THE U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE WILL SEEK  
ALL THE DETAILS OF THE MEETINGS TO ACQUAINT HIMSELF WITH ISRAEL'S  
INTENTIONS REGARDING THEIR RESUMPTION. THE ASSESSMENT IN  
JERUSALEM IS THAT KISSINGER IS AFRAID THAT THESE CONTACTS, IF THEY  
ARE SUCCESSFUL, WILL MAKE THE SOVIET UNION THE PRINCIPAL FACTOR  
IN GENEVA. THEREFORE, THE POSSIBILITY IS NOT RULED OUT THAT,  
AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF THIS DEVELOPMENT, DR KISSINGER WILL

STEP UP HIS EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE AN INTERIM SETTLEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL  
AND EGYPT BEFORE THE CONFERENCE IS RECONVENED.

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